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"O, how beautiful and imaginable other, and yet multiplying masses of increased and still increasing facts."

It is easier to talk of things we know more about, and yet they are almost as hard to describe. We say confidently that we have the largest stock over in this market of IMPORTED NOVELTIES for

NEW YEAR'S AND PARTY DRESSES.

We say confidently that no description can give you an adequate idea of the bewildering beauty, the delicate loveliness, the matchless combinations of these coming fashions of the year.

EVENING GOODS

We have literally dozens of styles, and with the price to match the quality. As "Misses of the House," you can control the cost as well as the style. These plain goods are from \$1 to \$1.25 a yard; the fancy, which you may adorn them as you will, run as high as \$1.50.

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Gent's Fancy Smoking Jackets, \$10. Ladies' and Gent's Silk Handkerchiefs. Choice Neckwear, all prices. Gent's Suspenders and Ladies' Garters. All-lined Handkerchiefs, 25c.

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CLOAKS At Half Price, to Close.

Our \$12 Cloaks for \$6. Our \$15 Cloaks for \$7.50. Our \$20 Cloaks for \$10. Our \$30 Plush Cloaks for \$15. Our \$40 Plush Cloaks for \$20. 220 Short Wraps, all samples, at less than they cost to make.

Do Not Buy Cloaks Till You See Us.

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Ladies' and Gentlemen's \$10 Gloves and Mittens, lined and unlined, cheap, for Christmas presents.

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MARTT. OHR, Telephone 129, 14 N. Pennsylvania St., 128 Indiana Ave.

PAUL H. KRAUSS, Shirt Maker and Men's Furnisher, 26 and 28 North Pennsylvania Street.

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CHILDREN'S CLOAKS, LADIES' CLOAKS, CHILDREN'S HANDKERCHIEFS, 25c to 50c. LADIES' HANDKERCHIEFS, 50c to 75c. GENTS' HANDKERCHIEFS, 10c to 25c. NEW SILK MUFFLERS and HANKERCHIEFS, NEW GLOVES.

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The best piece of business property in Indianapolis, with more than ten per cent. gross income, for sale for a few days.

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Miss S. S. Secretary's Record has been adopted by the Standard Book by the Indiana and Minnesota State S. S. Unions, and all schools in these states are urged to use this book and no other. Its method of keeping and reporting statistics, as well as its complete yet simple form, commends it to all leading S. S. workers. Price, in cloth, \$1, and in heavy pasteboard binding, 50c; postpaid to any address on receipt of price. The teachers' class-book, made to go with it, is also highly commended. Price, 50c each; 60c per dozen; large size, for 25 scholars, 10c each; \$1 per dozen; and S. S. superintendents' pocket record, 10c. Published by The Standard Book Co., 14 and 16 West Washington Street.

CITY NEWS.

A defective fuse yesterday set fire to the residence of A. H. James, 221 East Michigan street, causing small loss.

The Emmet Guards are thinking of celebrating the birthday anniversary of Robert Emmet with more than usual pomp and circumstance.

The ladies of the First Baptist church have been asked to repeat the paper lantern, and the same will be given at Tomlinson hall in a few weeks.

The second series of lectures in the Plymouth church course will be opened January 12, by Rev. M. W. Reed, of Denver, his theme, "The People."

The Little Sisters of the Poor received many gifts to make a happy Christmas for their old people, and return sincere thanks to the generous donors.

The cold-wave flag was hoisted last night, indicating a further fall in temperature, and there was also a slight fall of snow, but not sufficient for sleighing purposes.

Watch night services will be held at Seventh street M. E. church Friday night, beginning at 9:30 o'clock. Rev. Will Tinsley, of Grace church, will preach the sermon.

J. K. Freeman, on College avenue, has found an overcoat, in the pockets of which are some valuable presents. The theory is that the coat was stolen by a thief who was compelled to drop his plunder before he had time to go through it.

On Christmas Patrick O'Neal, of Agnes street, came home intoxicated, drove his life and three children into the street, and proceeded to make himself a "terror" until Sergeant Lowe arrested him and reinstated the family in their home.

Word comes from Washington that Dr. Willoughby Walling, the son-in-law of Mr. English, is to be given a consulate, and it is probable that he will be assigned to Barcelona, in Spain, a position paying \$2,000 a year. There is a query if his application is backed by the congressman from this district.

Florence Jones, colored, of Columbia street, on Christmas, while drunk, ran amok in that neighborhood, and she resisted arrest with the ferocity of a wildcat, arming herself with a knife and threatening to kill the first officer who interfered with her. It is timid that female was put away for the winter.

CHRISTMAS AT THE CHURCHES.

The Special Services and Sermons Yesterday—The Various Entertainments.

The special Christmas services at the various churches were in the usual form, but noticeably elaborate and interesting. The special musical programs were especially well selected. At St. John's church Mr. DeWald, at St. Joseph's, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Smith and Mr. Doehe sang "Veni Creator" in the morning, and there was special music by the choir.

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began screaming and calling on God to kill him, as he wanted to die, and similar expressions. He was borne away by his friends and afterward he was found by the police on Pennsylvania street, lying on his back, and in many ways disclosing that he was insane on religious matters. He belongs at the county asylum, and has heretofore shown mental weakness.

At the Grand opera-house all the week, with the usual matinees, James A. Herne's beautiful drama "The Minute Men of '76" will be played, with a strong cast and a large amount of ingenious machinery and costly scenery. It is one of the most stirring and picturesque dramas likely to be seen here this season.

At the Museum the well-known melodrama "The World" is the attraction every afternoon and evening during the week, presented by a competent company and with elegant scenery. The Eden Musee is open every day from 9 a. m. till 11 p. m.

At English's the last half of the week Charles Verner will present the taking Irish drama, "Stamius O'Brien."

Cuttings From the Herald.

It is a curious fact that the reputable counsel attorneys are not defending the conspirators.

You can scarcely find a man that will confess that he affiliated with the Liqueur league. It is a stretch in the nostrils of honest men.

The News hits a good lick every time, and just above the nose, too. It gave the Liqueur league a black eye.

Fay and the Liqueur League.

To the Editor of The Indianapolis News.

Permit me to correct a few statements contained in an editorial in The News of Friday last, concerning the employment of Mr. "Spotter" Fay, by the so-called Liqueur league.

The members of the league closed their places of business on Sunday in compliance with the order of Acting Superintendent Travis it was learned that several prominent saloons, notably those connected with the league, were selling liquor on Sundays, and in order that the instructions of the acting superintendent should be observed alike by all, the league of the night by one of the saloons, brought justice, and employed Mr. Fay to watch these places on Sunday the 12th of December. Evidently he found it difficult in obtaining liquor on that day, as it shows that on the Monday following, he filed two cases against the clerks of the saloons, and the clerk of the saloon in June's restaurant. Mr. Fay did not expect pay for his services until after the cases were disposed of by the court, and he made no demand for pay and did not receive any. Your information that he received \$40 from the league is incorrect. Unfortunately for the methods of the league to make him leave the city. In a letter received from him since, he says that he was hunted up in the dead of the night by one of the defendants who, by threats and arguments, persuaded him to leave as he did.

When the league found that the majority of the newspapers in this city were opposing it, they set to work to enforce the Sunday law, or any other law, for that matter, it is evident as you say, "let her go, Gallagher." Your statement that "next Sunday will see the old state of things" may become true, and the thought suggests itself that it might be a good scheme to let the league look to the enforcement of the law and discharge the police.

Simon Coy is not a member of the league, as might be inferred from your article, and it seems unfair to hold him responsible for anything that the league has done, or to blame the league for anything that he may do.

Answers to Inquirers.

Q.—Has anyone ever over Niagara Falls successfully? A.—No, not alive.

Q.—(1) How wide is the Atlantic ocean? (2) How does it take to cross it? (3) How fast do the steamers run? A.—(1) Three thousand six hundred miles in its widest part; 3,000 in its narrowest; (2) by the great oceanic steamships; (3) from New York to Liverpool the fastest time is six days and about seven hours. (3) Twenty to twenty-three miles an hour.

Q.—Did the father of Edwin Booth ever play a game in Indianapolis? (2) What was the length of the longest game he ever played? (3) In what year did he play? A.—(1) No. (2) Don't know. (3) 1882.

Q.—Did not Lafayette visit the United States as a national guest in 1824 and did not congress on that occasion vote a grant of \$20,000 in aid of the township of land in Florida, in recognition of the services he had heretofore rendered to the republic? A.—Yes.

HEAVY reduction in the prices of seal, cloth, and other goods at Ryan's, 21 and 23 South Illinois st.

Kutcher, the Leading Tailor, 23 SOUTH MERIDIAN STREET.

Special drive on winter caps and gloves. Seal caps, fur caps, cloth caps. Largest stock and lowest prices. "Cheapest place in town." 23 South Meridian street.

THE MYERS LECTURE.

The lecture on "Talk and Talkers" to be given on Wednesday night at the Blackford street M. E. church, by Secretary of State Myers, has been received with great favor wherever delivered. The Frankfort Crescent says of it:

A good audience greeted Hon. W. R. Myers Thursday night at the M. E. church. He listened to his lecture on "Talk and Talkers." The lecture as a literary production, is humorous, witty, argumentative, colloquial, but keeping the hearer ever on the alert for something new. Its most striking feature is its originality. The address bristles all over with aphorisms, apt illustrations, sage observations, and bubbling, sparkling humor. The glimpses of human nature one gets constitute another charm. Many of the views presented are humanitarian, some are utopian, but life-like and true.

The Franklin Herald says of the same lecture delivered in that city:

Captain Myers entertained the audience with a most interesting address on "Talk and Talkers," which was replete with humor, wit, sarcasm, poetry, religion and eloquence.

This lecture is contributed by the captain toward the building fund of the church. Tickets on sale at Yohn's, Bowen-Merrill's and Traub's drug store. Admission price 25c.

PACIFIC COAST EXCURSIONS VIA THE VANDALLIA LINE.

This company will sell excursion tickets to California points, December 29, January 12, 13 and 20, February 5, 12 and 20, good six weeks from date of sale, at \$80 for the round trip from Indianapolis. Passengers who desire to do so can go by one route and return another. Tickets will also be sold by way of New Orleans, good to return by either of the direct lines. The Vandallia has made special arrangements for sleeping-car accommodations from St. Louis, Kansas City and Omaha, and those who desire to secure such accommodations before starting, can do so through the agent of the Vandallia line. For further information call upon or address George Rech, ticket agent or H. R. Dering, assistant general passenger agent, corner Washington and Illinois streets, Indianapolis, Ind.

For monuments or all kinds of cemetery work, call on Whitehead & Wright, 75 East Market street.

The following meats are constantly found on hand at the court house meat market, 147 East Washington street: Beef, veal, lamb, pork and mutton, bologna, wiener, Frankfurt, Hoisting summer, fresh pork, liver, blood and head cheese, sausages, pressed corn beef, lard, hams, shoulders and bacon. Free delivery to all parts of the city.

OPERA GLASSES and good spectacles for holiday presents: cheap, at Marcy, "The Jeweler's."

Marcy, "The Jeweler" will sell you a solid silver American watch, open face, stem wind, for \$10; big bargain.

COLD WEATHER COMFORTS. Fur robes, Fur gloves, Fur shoes, Ear muffs, Jersey caps, BAMBREGER, Hatter and Furnisher.

REMAINDER OF STOCK of the consignment sale to be closed out regardless of quality and values; few of the \$6 suits left yet which go now at \$3.65. \$5.50 ones at \$3.50; overcoats proportionately reduced in prices. Do not buy a dollar's worth of clothing of any kind, or looking goods and prices at the consignment sale, No. 13 West Wash. st., the Famous Eagle.

HOLIDAY EXCURSIONS.

The L. R. & W. will sell excursion tickets between all points on its lines, including Chicago, at half fare. Tickets good going December 24, 25, 31 and January 1. Good to return until January 3, inclusive. This line runs elegant Woodruff combination sleeping, drawing-room and reclining-chair buffet cars on all through passenger trains between Indianapolis and Chicago, Bloomington and Peoria, Springfield and Columbus.

Lowest floor prices in Indiana at Van Pelt's. New spring patterns of the latest designs in wall papers and window shades, received in large shipments at

CARL MOLLER'S, 141 East Washington street.

NEW CHRISTMAS EXERCISES.

YOHNS BROS.

CARPETS, WALL PAPER

Latest Designs. Lowest Prices.

HERMAN MARTENS, 40 South Meridian Street.

LIGHT OF JUDAH.

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GREAT DISCOVERY.

NO MORE TROUBLE FROM MONTHLY PAINS. Many women suffer intensely every month from the periodic illness of the sex. The following letter shows how the worst cases can be cured. It is addressed to Mrs. Lydia E. Pinkham, of Lynn, Mass., by a lady in Minnesota. "For years I have suffered from falling of the womb and painful menstruation; and after using five bottles of your Vegetable Compound, I am almost entirely without pain during my monthly period, whereas before using it I used to be confined to my bed for over a week, suffering terribly and almost going into spasms, keeping some one waiting on me all the time putting hot towels on my bowels and hot bricks to my feet and doing everything possible to relieve me."

DIAMOND earrings, diamond lace pins, solitaire ring and studs; cluster ring at low price, at Marcy's, "The Jeweler."

HOLIDAY AND NEW YEAR EXCURSIONS VIA VANDALLIA LINE.

Holiday excursion tickets will be sold at the Vandallia office, corner Washington and Illinois streets, and Union depot. December 24, 25, 31 and January 1.

At ONE and ONE-HUNDRED PARES FOR THE ROUND TRIP, good to return until January 3, inclusive.

LEAVE your orders for common or Weiss beer at Marcy's, "The Jeweler," 13 South Delaware street. It is a pure article, containing no intoxicating ingredients. Physicians recommend it to invalids and convalescents. Give it a trial and you will say for no other.

SETTLE your holiday presents at once and save the high prices. Special sale. Marcy, "The Jeweler," is making low prices this week.

If you want a gold or silver watch, go see Marcy, "The Jeweler." Big bargains this week.

TRUTH.

The very best and largest stock of overcoats to select from, is surely found at "Arcade."

EVERY ADVANTAGE.

You have in the world to make satisfactory purchases at "Arcade." There you have the finest assortment of men's and boys' suits and overcoats to select from; there you deal with a house who does not put fancy prices on account of credit accommodations, and they have very little expense and are not obliged to overcharge you on account of employing kid-glove salesmen, or paying exorbitant rents. The best treatment is assured by dealing at "Arcade, 10 West Wash. st."

We open to-day still greater bargains in ladies' gold watches, gent's gold watches, diamonds and fine jewelry; also roll-plaques jewelry. Come and see Marcy, "The Jeweler."

TOYS! TOYS! TOYS!

To close out the stock cheap, see our 1c, 2c, 5c and 10c counters, at Bazar, 6 East Washington.

CLOAKS

Special sale of Cloaks this week.

PRICES AWAY DOWN.

One lot (75) Sample Cloaks half price.

One lot Children's Cloaks, half price.

These goods are a late purchase, are the best styles and material, \$5 will buy as good a garment as \$10 would one month ago.

H. P. WASSON & CO.

EVERYTHING FOR HOUSEKEEPING AT BORN & CO'S.

PAYMENTS OR CASH.

TO-MORROW

Commencing a big clearance sale. 350 yards of Crash at 3c per yard. 10 dozen Towels at 7c each. These are all linen.

At 5 o'clock to-morrow morning we will place on sale 50 dozen ladies' colored bordered Handkerchiefs at 2c each. Only 3c sold to a customer.

Underwear, Hosiery—10 dozen ladies' white Merino Vests at 35c.

Special Sale—10 o'clock—As we are overstocked in ladies' and gent's Scarlet Underwear, we are going to offer special inducements.

From 10 o'clock until 11 we will sell our ladies' Scarlet Vests at 72c each. 10 dozen gent's Scarlet Underwear at 72c each; worth \$1.

Flannel—8 o'clock—We will put on sale some all-wool Checked Flannels at 20c per yard; these goods are worth 40c.

Dress Goods—9 o'clock—We are going to put on sale 10 pieces all-wool Dress Goods, 36 inches wide, at 28c per yard. Look out to-night.

Store open for bargains. Come in and see them.

DENISON DRY GOODS STORE, 83 North Pennsylvania st.

H. H. CONDIT.

A BIG OFFER.

To introduce them, we will give away 1,000 one-cent stamps, if you will send us your name, P. O. and express office at once The National Co., 210 1/2 St., New York

HANDKERCHIEF SALE.

See our Prices Before Purchasing.

50 dozen samples of ladies' hand embroidered handkerchiefs, in white and colors, at New York cost.

Ladies' hemstitched initial handkerchiefs 12 1/2, 15c, 20c and 25c.

Ladies' and gent's cashmere and silk mufflers at reduced prices.

VANCE HUNTER & CO., 39 West Washington Street.

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Latest Designs. Lowest Prices.

HERMAN MARTENS, 40 South Meridian Street.